

DIVISION OF HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES

Community Health Services Disease Prevention Family Health Health Promotion State Epidemiologist

MEMORANDUM 2008-11

TO: All Vaccine Providers

FROM: Tim Heath

Immunization Program Coordinator

DATE: December 18, 2008

RE: Prevnar Eligibility

Dear Vaccine Providers:

Due to continued decreases in federal funding the Department of Health will provide the Pneumococcal vaccine (Prevnar) for VFC-eligible children only, effective January 1, 2009. Non-VFC children that have received the first dose prior to January 1, 2009 will still be able to finish the series in 2009 and any Prevnar vaccine you have received prior to January 1st can be used for all children. Prevnar vaccine ordered after January 1, 2009 can only be used for VFC-eligible children. I have enclosed an updated vaccine eligibility chart. If you wish to order a stock of privately purchased Prevnar vaccine please contact Wyeth Pharmaceuticals customer service at 1-800-666-7248 or Tom Saterstrom of Wyeth at 1-888-685-5962 Ext 73736 or saterstt@wyeth.com.

Thank you for being patient and supportive of the Immunization Program as we have experienced recent federal budget reductions. We strive to keep as many vaccines as fiscally possible universally available to all children. We will continue to offer DTaP, DT, Td, Tdap, Hib, Pentacel, IPV MMR, Hepatitis B, Varicella, HPV, and Influenza universally to all ACIP recommended age appropriate children. At this point, no further reductions are anticipated.

We have some remaining Influenza Vaccine available to order. Please contact Summer Falzerano at 605-773-4963 or by email at Summer.Falzerano@state.sd.us to order more doses. If you have doses that you will not be using we would appreciate it if you could either transfer the vaccine to another facility or back to the state. You can also contact Summer for help with this.

I would like to remind you if you have not submitted your 2009 provider profile to please do so as soon as possible in order to avoid a delay in receiving your vaccine orders.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 605-773-5323 or by email at Tim.Heath@state.sd.us.

STATE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM VACCINE ELIGIBILITY CHART

I hase eligible for State-supplied Vaccine
Those eligible for State-supplied Vaccine All children under 7 years of age.
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All children under 7 years of age with contraindications for pertussis.
All VFC eligible children under 7 years of age.* Pediarix is
approved for <u>first three doses of DTaP and IPV series only</u> .
All children 7 years through 10 years of age.
All children 11 and 12 years of age. May also be given to VFC- Eligible children 11 through 18 years of age.*
All children under 5 years of age for first three doses. The 4 th dose is limited to high risk children: children with asplenia, sickle cell disease, human immunodeficiency virus infection, and certain other immunodeficiency syndromes, and malignant neoplasms, and American Indian/Alaskan Native children.
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Unavailable.
All children 2 months through 18 years of age.
All children 12 months through 18 years of age.
All children-birth through 18 years of age. If the series is started at age 18 the patient may finish series at age 19.
All VFC-Eligible children 12 months through 18 years of age.*
The two doses in the series should be administered at least 6 months apart.
All VFC-Eligible children under 5 years of age.*
All children 12 to 15 months and 4 to 6 years of age. May also be given to VFC-eligible children 12 months through 18 years of age. *
All VFC-eligible children 11 through 18 years of age.*
All VFC-eligible age appropriate children.*
All SD females 12 years of age.
All VFC-eligible females 11 through 18 years of age. * All SD females 11-18 years of age that began the series in 2007
can finish the series in 2008 with the free state provided
vaccine. If the patient turns 19 before finishing the series she
can also finish the series with the free state provided vaccine.
All children 6 months through 18 years of age.

^{*} VFC-Underinsured need to receive their immunization at a FQHC/RHC/CHN facility.

Non-VFC children will need to receive "privately purchased" vaccine. Revised 12/12/2008